DNREC Natural Resources Police Park Rangers arrest Rehoboth Beach man on multiple drug charges

K-9 Vos has first drug alert while on patrol

DNREC Natural Resources Police Park Rangers arrested a Rehoboth Beach man on multiple drug and other charges Memorial Day at Cape Henlopen State Park after park rangers found two subjects in a closed primitive camping area.

At around 4 p.m. May 25, Rangers approached and questioned the individuals, who were burning a fire in a campsite fire pit, and found Ricky C. Garner, 37, of Rehoboth Beach to be in possession of marijuana. K-9 Vos then gave a positive alert for the presence of narcotics in Garner's belongings, where Rangers found suspected powder cocaine and suspected MDMA (ecstasy).

The Rangers recovered 139 grams of marijuana, edible marijuana, marijuana vape oil, 1.9 grams suspected cocaine, 4.9 grams dried fungus suspected psilocybin mushrooms and 1.9 grams suspected ecstasy from Garner.



Garner was taken into custody without incident and charged with the following misdemeanors:

• 1 count of misdemeanor possession/consumption of marijuana other than for personal use quantity

- 3 counts possession/consumption of a controlled counterfeit substance without a prescription
- 3 counts possession of drug paraphernalia
- 1 count of illegal camping/trespassing under State Park regulations
- 1 count of possession of a prohibited item (BB gun) under State Park regulations

Garner was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 in Georgetown and released on his own recognizance pending notification in the Court of Common Pleas.

This was K-9 Vos's first drug alert on patrol. He recently graduated from the Delaware State Police K-9 narcotics detection training program, and now serves in both patrol and narcotics detection capacities.

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